



# NORTH DAKOTA HOMELAND SECURITY ANTI-TERRORISM SUMMARY



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#### **NORTH DAKOTA**

Nothing Significant to Report

#### **REGIONAL**

Nothing Significant to Report

# **NATIONAL**

Nothing Significant to Report

#### **INTERNATIONAL**

**Mexico reports bird flu outbreaks at two egg farms.** The World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) announced that a previous outbreak of avian influenza serotype H7N3 was contained to two egg farms located in the central state of Aguascalientes, Mexico. Source: http://www.reuters.com/article/2013/01/09/mexico-birdflu-idUSL5E9C9DX520130109

# **BANKING AND FINANCE INDUSTRY**

FBI posts Google map of bank heist photos so locals can finger the perps. The FBI launched a Web site that maps the locations of bank robberies and provides wanted posters, weapons used, and other descriptions to help law enforcement and citizens identify suspects. Source: <a href="http://www.nextgov.com/cloud-computing/2013/01/fbi-posts-google-map-bank-heist-photos-so-locals-can-finger-perps/60619/">http://www.nextgov.com/cloud-computing/2013/01/fbi-posts-google-map-bank-heist-photos-so-locals-can-finger-perps/60619/</a>

**Botnets for hire likely attacked U.S. banks.** A recent campaign of distributed denial of service (DDoS) attacks on U.S. banks appears to be using botnets for hire, according to an analysis by security firm Incapsula. Source:

http://www.computerworld.com/s/article/9235525/Botnets for hire likely attacked U.S. banks?source=rss security&utm source=feedburner&utm medium=feed&utm campaign=Feed: +computerworld/s/feed/topic/17+(Computerworld+Security+News)

**Algerian hacker wanted in the US arrested by Thai police.** An Algerian man wanted in the U.S. for allegedly hacking into over 200 bank and financial institution accounts was arrested by police in Thailand as he was attempting to travel from Malaysia to Egypt. He will be extradited to the State of Georgia, where an arrest warrant was filed. Source:

http://news.softpedia.com/news/Algerian-Hacker-Wanted-in-the-US-Arrested-by-Thai-Police-319099.shtml

# CHEMICAL AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS SECTOR

Nothing Significant to Report

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# **COMMERCIAL FACILITIES**

Nothing Significant to Report

#### **COMMUNICATIONS SECTOR**

FCC blames phone companies for derecho 911 outages. The Federal Communications Committee (FCC) released a report January 10 citing major phone companies for the massive loss of 9-1-1 services during the June 2012 derecho storm in the Midwest and Mid-Atlanic, and stating that their lack of backup resources and delayed communications resulted in millions of people being unable to contact 9-1-1. Source:

http://www.usatoday.com/story/money/2013/01/09/fcc-derecho-911-outage/1821695/

**Emergency responders ask FCC to expand broadcasts.** Emergency personnel are asking the Federal Communications Commission to approve their push to relay more information to the public on low power AM radio stations regarding critical news when cable, Internet, and phones are out of service.

Source: <a href="http://www.politico.com/story/2013/01/emergency-responders-ask-fcc-toexpand-broadcasts-85913.html?hp=r3">http://www.politico.com/story/2013/01/emergency-responders-ask-fcc-toexpand-broadcasts-85913.html?hp=r3</a>

FCC announces \$400 million annual investment in rural telemedicine. The Federal Communications Commission (FCC) is advancing telemedicine applications by shifting the Healthcare Connect Fund pilot program into a permanent one by contributing about \$400 million in funding. Source: <a href="http://ehrintelligence.com/2013/01/08/fcc-announces-400-million-annualinvestment-in-rural-telemedicine/">http://ehrintelligence.com/2013/01/08/fcc-announces-400-million-annualinvestment-in-rural-telemedicine/</a>

# **CRITICAL MANUFACTURING**

Nothing Significant to Report

# **DEFENSE / INDUSTRY BASE SECTOR**

**Defense department cracking down on hacking disclosures for defense contractors.** The National Defense Authorization Act signed on January 3 requires all defense contractors to disclose cyber-related attacks to the Department of Defense (DOD) as a part of its developing cybersecurity reporting requirements.

Source: <a href="http://blogs.wsj.com/cio/2013/01/07/government-cracking-down-on-hackingdisclosures/">http://blogs.wsj.com/cio/2013/01/07/government-cracking-down-on-hackingdisclosures/</a>

# **EMERGENCY SERVICES**

(Arizona) Arizona sheriff launches patrols outside schools. The Maricopa County sheriff outlined a planed to have up to 500 armed volunteer patrols around the county's 59 schools

January 9. Source: <a href="http://www.necn.com/01/09/13/Arizona-sheriff-launches-patrols-outside/landing\_nation.html?&apID=cf561e9f99064a2d9921628fa657bb4c">http://www.necn.com/01/09/13/Arizona-sheriff-launches-patrols-outside/landing\_nation.html?&apID=cf561e9f99064a2d9921628fa657bb4c</a>

#### **ENERGY**

Hacker hits on U.S. power and nuclear targets spiked in 2012. The U.S. Department of Homeland Security reported that the number of cyber attacks against nuclear, power, and water infrastructure more than doubled in 2012, citing 198 cybersecurity incidents across the energy, chemical, nuclear, and water sectors. Source:

http://money.cnn.com/2013/01/09/technology/security/infrastructure-cyberattacks/

**Floods blamed for 16 pipeline spills.** According to a U.S. Department of Transportation report to Congress, 2.4million gallons of crude oil, propane, and other unsafe liquids contaminated U.S. waters due to pipeline bursts caused by flooding rivers removing required riverbed above pipelines. Source: <a href="http://www.businessweek.com/ap/2013-01-03/apnewsbreak-floods-blamed-for-16-pipeline-spills">http://www.businessweek.com/ap/2013-01-03/apnewsbreak-floods-blamed-for-16-pipeline-spills</a>

# **FOOD AND AGRICULTURE**

Nothing Significant to Report

# GOVERNMENT SECTOR (INCLUDING SCHOOLS AND UNIVERSITIES)

(California) At least one person shot at Taft High School. Officials reported that one or more individuals were injured during a shooting at Taft High School January 10. Authorities took the shooter into custody, but were conducting a room-by-room search to secure the high school while students were picked up from the football field. Source:

http://www.turnto23.com/news/local-news/report-at-least-one-person-shot-at-taft-high-school

(South Carolina) **2 York Co. government websites hacked.** Intruders hacked and posted fake material on two York County government Web sites. Officials blocked access to the sites and believed the access occurred through an older Web server. Source: <a href="http://www.charlotteobserver.com/2013/01/07/3769728/york-co-solicitors-office-website.html">http://www.charlotteobserver.com/2013/01/07/3769728/york-co-solicitors-office-website.html</a>

# INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS

**Nasty new Java zero day found; Exploit kits already have it.** A researcher discovered and others confirmed a zero-day exploit for Java that is already being used by the popular Blackhole, Nuclear Pack, and Cool exploit kits. Source:

http://threatpost.com/en\_us/blogs/nasty-new-java-zero-day-found-exploit-kits-already-have-it-011013

**Cybercriminals mostly targeting LinkedIn, PayPal, and Amazon.** A list of the most frequent threats detected by GFI Software found that in December 2012 there were several spam campaigns targeted against Amazon, LinkedIn, and Paypal, while fake Google Play app markets served trojans to users. Source:

http://www.netsecurity.org/malware\_news.php?id=2370&utm\_source=feedburner&utm\_medi\_um=feed&utm\_campaign=Feed:+HelpNetSecurity+(Help+Net+Security)&utm\_content=Google+Reader\_

Researchers bypass Microsoft Fix It for IE zero day. Exodus Intelligence researchers reported their discovery of a way to work around the temporary fix that Microsoft posted to address a zero day exploit in Internet Explorer (IE) used in recent watering hole attacks. Source: <a href="http://threatpost.com/en\_us/blogs/researchers-bypass-microsoft-fix-it-ie-zero-day-010413">http://threatpost.com/en\_us/blogs/researchers-bypass-microsoft-fix-it-ie-zero-day-010413</a>

# **NATIONAL MONUMENTS AND ICONS**

(New York) Police say suspect planned to blow up Washington Arch. According to law enforcement officials, a man arrested December 21 at a Greenwich Village apartment allegedly demonstrated to friends the use of a white powder he claimed he would use to destroy the Washington Arch in Washington Square Park. Police believe it was the chemical hexamethylene triperoxide diamine (HMTD). Source: <a href="http://www.nytimes.com/2013/01/10/nyregion/man-planned-explosion-in-washington-square-park-police-say.html">http://www.nytimes.com/2013/01/10/nyregion/man-planned-explosion-in-washington-square-park-police-say.html</a>? r=1&

# POSTAL AND SHIPPING

Nothing Significant to Report

# **PUBLIC HEALTH**

**Drugmakers report U.S. shortages of flu vaccine, Tamiflu.** The U.S. Food and Drug Administration confirmed a shortage and shipment delays of the liquid form of Tamiflu, used to treat children with the flu. Source: <a href="http://www.reuters.com/article/2013/01/10/us-usa-flu-idUSBRE9080WD20130110">http://www.reuters.com/article/2013/01/10/us-usa-flu-idUSBRE9080WD20130110</a>

**Nasty flu season could lead to sickly growth.** The flu was reported in 41 States, and the Centers of Disease Control and Prevention predicted the 2013 flu season to be the worst flu season in a decade. Source: <a href="http://blogs.wsj.com/economics/2013/01/09/nasty-flu-season-could-lead-to-sickly-growth/">http://blogs.wsj.com/economics/2013/01/09/nasty-flu-season-could-lead-to-sickly-growth/</a>

**Treatment-resistant gonorrhea threat rises in North America.** Concerned U.S. health officials suggested a halt on prescribing the only remaining gonorrhea oral antibiotic after a Canadian study found it is ineffective in 7 percent of patients. Source:

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http://www.foxnews.com/health/2013/01/09/treatment-resistant-gonorrheathreat-rises-in-north-america/

(Florida) Man admits to paying hospital employees to steal patient data. A man admitted in court to paying Florida Hospital employees for patient records to support his solicitation scheme.

Source:

http://articles.orlandosentinel.com/20130107/news/osfloridahospitalstolenpatientinformation -20130107 1 patient-records-patient-data-hospital-employees

#### **TRANSPORTATION**

**FAA orders review of all Boeing 787 Dreamliners.** The Federal Aviation Administration required a safety review of all Boeing 787 Dreamliners after a series of safety incidents. The notice includes a review of systems, assembly, manufacture, and design of the airliners. Source: <a href="http://www.theatlanticwire.com/business/2013/01/faa-orders-review-all-boeing-787-dreamliners/60870/">http://www.theatlanticwire.com/business/2013/01/faa-orders-review-all-boeing-787-dreamliners/60870/</a>

#### **WATER AND DAMS**

(Louisiana) Corps says \$10.3 billion, 98-mile Morganza to the Gulf levee plan is cost-effective. A revised \$10.3 billion plan to construct a levee from the Morganza to the Gulf intended to protect Houma and the surrounding area was released by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers January 4. The new proposal for the levee includes new safety features developed in the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina. Source:

http://www.nola.com/environment/index.ssf/2013/01/corps says revised 103 billion.html

# **HOMELAND SECURITY CONTACTS**

To report a homeland security incident, please contact your local law enforcement agency or one of these agencies: North Dakota State and Local Intelligence Center: 866-885-8295(IN ND ONLY); Email: <a href="mailto:ndslic@nd.gov">ndslic@nd.gov</a>; Fax: 701-328-8175 State Radio: 800-472-2121; Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI): 701-328-5500; North Dakota Highway Patrol: 701-328-2455; US Attorney's Office Intel Analyst: 701-297-7400; Bismarck FBI: 701-223-4875; Fargo FBI: 701-232-7241.

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